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SUBJECT: POSTAL FACILITY AT NARITA AIRPORT

1. ON APRIL 26 POL/ MIL COUNSELOR REVIEWED WITH SECURITY SECTION HEAD MATSUDA ISSUE OF MILITARY POSTAL FACILITY AT NARITA AIRPORT AND INQUIRED WHETHER THERE HAD BEEN ANY PROGRESS MADE ON ISSUE WITHIN GOJ SINCE LAST SERIES OF DISCUSSIONS WITH US REPS. POL/ MIL COUNSELOR MADE SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO FORMER, UNREALISTIC GOJ PROPOSAL THAT FACILITY BE LOCATED SOME FIFTY KM FROM NARITA AIRPORT.

2. MATSUDA REPLIED THAT GOJ HAD " WITHDRAWN" PROPOSAL FOR FACILITY TO BE LOCATED AT GREAT DISTANCE FROM AIRPORT AND SAID THAT GOJ SEARCHING FOR MEANS TO PROVIDE FACILITY ADJACENT TO NARITA AIRPORT. OWING TO PREVIOUS REMARKS BY TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY OFFICIALS IN DIET, IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR FACILITY TO BE LOCATED WITHIN BOUNDARIES OF NARITA AIRPORT, BUT THERE NO RPT NO IMPEDIMENT IN LOCATING FACILITY IN VICINITY. FURTHERMORE, THERE APPEARS TO BE GOJ- OWNED LAND IN

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IMMEDIATE VICINITY WHICH COULD BE PROVIDED WITH RELATIVE
EASE AS FACILITY AND AREA TO ACCOMMODATE POSTAL FUNCTION.
GOJ WOULD HAVE TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL BUILDING TO HOUSE
POSTAL FUNCTION, BUT NECESSITY OF DOING SO DOES NOT
APPEAR TO JEOPARDIZE PLAN.

3. NARITA AIRPORT NOW EXPECTED TO OPEN IN EARLY 1974.
GOJ WILL REQUIRE AT LEAST SIX MONTHS LEAD TIME TO
CONSTRUCT POSTAL FACILITY. THEREFORE, GOJ ACTIVELY
WORKING ON SOLUTION TO PROBLEM, WITH DEADLINE OF
JULY 1, 1973.

4. EMBASSY WILL KEEP ADDRESSEES ADVISED OF PROGRESS
WITHIN GOJ.
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